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State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council

Agenda for Biweekly Conference Call

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:00PM – 9:00PM - All Members – Statewide

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88519645233>

Meeting ID: 885 1964 5233 | Dial-in Number: +13126266799

Present: A. King, A. Jarayam, B. Koumondiji, E. Johnson, F. Olawoye, G. Huffstutler, H. Dillehay, J. Piazza, K. Hesselink, K. Castillo, K. Jones, L. Roarick, L. Glenn, M. Malek, P. Bassuk, R. Roach, S. Koh, S. Polking, T. Geisemann., T. Voeller., V. Adovor

Absent: None

1. Welcome & Announcements

At 8:04 PM, S. Koh introduces everyone to the call

L. Roarick takes attendance

S. Koh asks for a motion to approve previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve previous minutes by R. Roach and seconded by V. Adovor

Voted yes by all present

2. Service/Legislative/IDEA/Public Affairs Chairpersons

S. Koh moves to Executive team updates

K. Hesselink updates for service chair, encourages SIYAC members to fill out service form

P. Bassuk updates for legislative chair, talks about how position statements should be finalized, and an upcoming reminder for legislative prep day

R. Roach updates for IDEA (Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility) chair, no updates

S. Polking updates for public affairs, and talks about finishing emails to legislators

3. Committee Updates Chairpersons

S. Koh moves to Committee updates

P. Bassuk updates for education committee, talks about one submitted position statement, and motivations behind the more general sentiment

L. Glenn updates for health committee, talks about upcoming meetings with relevant organizations

R. Roach updates for environmental committee, talks about finished position statement

K. Hesselink updates for service committee, talks about draft for group service project, which would include collaborating with other organizations outside SIYAC

V. Adovor updates for racial equity committee, talks about working individually to outline the creation and outline of the groups' podcast

4. IYC Updates Srimaan Aravamudhan + DHR Updates Bri Deason

No IYC (Iowa Youth Congress) update

B. Deason updates for DHR (Department of Human Rights) talks about legislative prep day being planned, as well as youth shadow week form needing to be filled out, and the creation of a data report for previous SIYAC member YPAR (Youth Participatory Action Research) to be presented

5. Unfinished Business

S. Koh talks about legislative prep day, and the optional event from 8 am to 4 pm for SIYAC members. S. Koh encourages SIYAC members to look at the RSVP form that needs to be filled out

6. New Business

S. Koh opens for discussion and voting for position statements

J. Piazza gives floor for people to talk about education committee position statement

P. Bassuk inquires if T. Geisemann wants to talk about the creation of the position

T. Geisemann talks about the core of the position statement

J. Piazza opens for questions and comments

J. Piazza asks for more specific ideas the education committee has using this position statement

P. Bassuk talks about civic education curriculum, which would include revising the way Iowa teaches government class

K. Castillo talks about going to neighboring schools as well as her own to interview and report mental health peer mentors, with a goal to find what works and what does not when talking to teens

V. Adovor asks what age range this position covers/impacts

P. Bassuk states that it would fit all ranges, with many possibilities, but discusses the thoughtfulness of the question

T. Geisemann gives examples of what the implementation of this position could look like in schools, seconds what P. Bassuk stated

J. Piazza asks for a roll call vote on the education committee position statement

T. Voeller motions for roll call vote, seconded by V. Adovor

Education committee position passed, J. Piazza abstained

J. Piazza gives floor for environmental committee position statement to be discussed

R. Roach talks about core of position statement

R. Roach shares screen so those present on the call can look at what was written

R. Roach asks for questions from SIYAC members

No immediate questions

J. Piazza talks about the difference between this position statement and previous curriculum implemented in schools

J. Piazza asks if it would be a separate class

R. Roach states it will not be a separate class

P. Bassuk mentions that the details about agriculture are compelling

P. Bassuk talks about a need for more citing, and asks if there's an existing vision to create this curriculum

R. Roach talks about using outside curriculum

P. Bassuk talks about looking into experts to explain how this position could be put into Iowa code

L. Glenn ask if R. Roach has looked at how similar visions have been applied in other states

J. Piazza answers, talks about his own research on the topic, and says they will send it to R. Roach for further reading

P. Bassuk asks for clarification on the term used when J. Piazza was explaining their sentiment

J. Piazza answers

J. Piazza asks if there are further questions

No questions

J. Piazza asks for a motion to roll call vote the environmental committee position statement

P. Bassuk motions for a roll call vote, seconded by L. Roarick

Voted in favor by all but one, J. Piazza abstained

J. Piazza opens for discussion on menstrual hygiene position from health committee

L. Glenn explains position statement

L. Roarick commends L. Glenn for taking action on an important issue

P. Bassuk talks about their appreciation for inclusivity

R. Roach talks about need for it, and gives props

J. Piazza asks for objections on position statement

No objections

J. Piazza asks for a motion to roll call vote on the position statement

P. Bassuk motions for a roll call vote on position statement, seconded by V. Adovor

Menstrual equity bill passed, all voted yes but J. Piazza abstains

7. Good of the Order ALL

J. Piazza opens for Good of the Order

P. Bassuk talks about legislative session and timetable

R. Roach talks about meeting with community member about curriculum and discipline

V. Adovor talks about learning how to crochet

L. Roarick talks about personal experience crocheting

R. Roach talks about making a skirt and how their sewing machine broke in the process

S. Polking talks about starting to lift weights regularly

F. Olawoye talks about family

L. Glenn talks about deleting social media for a week, and the impacts

8. Public Comments

No public comment

9. Meeting Adjourn

J. Piazza asks for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Motion to adjourn by V. Adovor and seconded by K. Jones

Meeting adjourned.

**Next conference call is Sunday, January 16, 2022 @ 8:00 p.m*

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